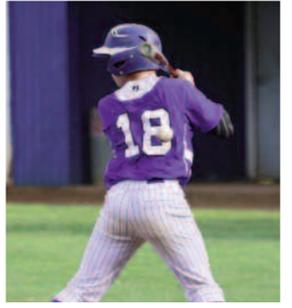


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Kids Fishing Rodeo this weekend

By Amanda McBride/Chamber of Commerce

The Choctaw County Chamber of Commerce, Southern Company Services – Red Hills Operations, Choctaw County Farm Bureau Insurance, U.S. Forest Service and the Mississippi

Department of Wildlife Fisheries and Parks are partnering together to host the 5th Annual Kids Fishing Rodeo at Choctaw Lake on Saturday, April 22.

All children in the county ages 15 and under are invited to fish. Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. A parent or guardian

must attend with the child participating to sign a release waiver. Bring your own pole, bait and stringer. This is a free event. Choctaw Lake is located on Highway 15 South, just outside of Ackerman.

For more information contact the Chamber of Commerce office at

662-285-3778 or email dmckay@choctaw-countycoc.com or amcbride@choctaw-countycoc.com.

PHOTO FROM CHOCTAW COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Kids Fishing Rodeo this Saturday, April 22, at Choctaw Lake. Registration begins at 7:30 and fishing begins at 9 a.m. for kids ages 12 and under.



AES students compete in robotic competition

Submitted by Deborah Bruister Ackerman Elementary School

On March 25th, Mrs. Bruister's sixth grade PACE students from Ackerman Elementary School participated in the Regional SeaPerch Robotic Competition at Mississippi State.

Members of the competition were: Gavin Arnault, Neelie Dillinger, Eli Fulce, Kaytlyn McCuller, Colton Mewbourn, Hailey Miller, Makenzie Sanders, Jack Wilcher, Secatra Miller, Alex Rich, Bris Reed

The students were divided into two teams and given their supplies and instruction book. They had to work together to put their underwater robot together and make it work. To put the robot together they had to: cut PVC pipe to the correct length, wire motors, waterproof them and put on propellers, solder, put together the controller, and put alligator clips onto wire to be able to connect it to a battery. The robot had to be able to dive and surface, go forward and backward. The competition included an



Robot - Members of Mrs. Bruister's sixth grade PACE students who participated in the Regional SeaPerch Robotic Competition at Mississippi State were (in no particular order): Gavin Arnault, Neelie Dillinger, Eli Fulce, Kaytlyn McCuller, Colton Mewbourn, Hailey Miller, Makenzie Sanders, Jack Wilcher, Secatra Miller, Alex Rich, Bris Reed

engineering notebook they submitted, and two underwater contests.

One part involved obstacles. They had to maneuver their robot through a set of rings in the water. It was also timed. The other competition was the

challenge. They had to take three rings and three squared-shaped items from a platform and place them in

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Hemphill withdraws from Weir alderman race

By Daniel Brunty The Choctaw Plaindealer

Current Weir Alderwoman Clara Hemphill, who recently had stated her intentions to seek re-election, has decided to withdraw from the upcoming June 6 Municipal Election of officers for the Town of Weir.

During the qualifying period for candidates, the Town of Weir had six candidates listed, including Hemphill. With Hemphill's withdrawal from the race, the other five candi-

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Circuit Court sentencing held for February court term

From press & staff reports

The Choctaw County Circuit Court was held this past February with several



sentences handed down and two trials on the docket. Presiding over the term was Fifth Circuit Court Judge George M. Mitchell, Jr.

During this term of Circuit Court, Judge Mitchell handed down

the following sentences:

Janalvin Mosley was charged with the felony crime of possession of cocaine (.10 or more but less than two grams) with a sentencing enhancement (habitual offender). Mosley

entered a not guilty plea. The jury returned a guilty verdict and Mosley was sentenced to serve a term of three years with the Miss. Department of Corrections. Mosley's sentence, as a habitual offend-

er, shall not be reduced by probation, parole, earned release supervision of any other type of early release program). Mosley was also given credit for time served in this cause being 200 days. Bertron Lee

Robinson was charged with possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Robinson pled guilty and was sentenced to seven years in the MDOC to be served through the

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